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Keiser Brothers & Phillips Buy and Sell Panhandle Lands

TO LAY CORNERSTONE.

Arrangements Made For the New Cornerstone of the Randall County Court House.

Now that most of the material has arrived for the pushing of the work on the new court house for this county, arrangements have been made for the laying of the cornerstone of the building. The time set for the ceremony is at 1:30 o'clock on Saturday, September 19.

The Grand Lodge of the State of Texas, under the auspices of the Canyon City Lodge No. 730, A. F. and A. M., will conduct the ceremony, and they have just issued an invitation to all lodges of that order in the neighboring counties to be present and participate. Good speakers of renown have been selected and will be announced next week, and it is the intention of those having the matter in charge to make the matter memorable.

The day is intended to be set apart as a general picnic for everybody who wants to come and everybody is invited to be present. The celebration will be held in the court house square and will begin at 10 o'clock in the morning of that date, and dinner will be served promptly at 12 o'clock. Everybody is requested to bring baskets, but the committee of arrangements will furnish meat, bread, pickles and coffee free to all who desire them. Arrangements have been made with Canyon City band to furnish the music for the occasion.

Lets make this a big day for the town. Let everybody bring baskets and eat on the grounds, irrespective of whether you live in town or not. There will be plenty of entertainment and we can lay aside all business cares for one day and help celebrate.

Need More Rent Houses.

There has been a great demand for houses in this city the past two weeks and the News reporter found that a house that was for rent was practically rented to the highest bidder. There is always a great demand for good rent houses here and as the time for the opening of our public school draws near each year there is still a greater demand. As stated, the News reporter wanted to rent a house for a friend and found that there were only two houses in the town that were available and they were not in good repair.

John Allison of Sweetwater, was expected here yesterday afternoon on a visit to his brother, W. W. Allison, in this city.

R. W. O'KEEFE, President
J. M. BLACK, Vice Pres.

L. L. HUNT, Cashier
R. H. WRIGHT, Asst. Cash.

The Canyon National Bank



Capital	\$50,000.00.
Surplus	10,000.00.
Profits	6,000.00.

THE STONE BASE ARRIVES.

Active Work on the New Court House Will Begin at Once.

For the past two weeks not much work has been done on the new court house for the county on account of the delay in shipping the stone base which is to be placed on the concrete foundation. All this stone has arrived and is being placed on the grounds, and to The News reporter Messrs. Gilcoat and Skinner, the contractors, stated that they would put on a large force as soon as possible and push the brick work to completion.

The terra cotta has been shipped and is daily expected to arrive. The steel will all be shipped out by the 15th of the month. When the terra cotta and steel arrives practically all the material will be on the grounds and the contractors hope to have the outside walls up by November 1 in order to go to roofing.

If they succeed in their intentions they will have the roofing completed by December 1 and the remaining work will be entirely on the inside, and that can be rushed in cold weather as well as not.

The contractors expect to have about twenty brick layers at work and if they do this there

will be a big rush around the building.

The cornerstone, mention of which is made elsewhere in this issue, will be laid on Saturday, September 19, at 1:30 o'clock.

It is reported here this week that L. T. Lester of this city, has purchased the controlling interest in the First National Bank of Lubbock. It is said that the stock brought just double its face value, which goes to show that the bank is a paying institution.

Tom and Thad Lair, sons, and Miss Lillian Lair, daughter, of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Lair of this city, left last Monday for Decatur where they will attend school.

J. A. Mooney was taken sick with brights disease this week and is very low. He is at the office building of Keiser Bros. & Phillips.

A. H. Fairbank of West Chicago, and Mr. Ackermann of Wheaton, Ill., are here visiting Dr. C. L. Daniel at his place north of town.

W. J. Luna of Plains, a former resident of this county, was shaking the hands of his friends here this week.

Pete Baird is attending school at Waco this year.

PROFESSIONAL CAMP MEETING.

After Being in Session Several Days Meeting Closed Yesterday.

The Panhandle Professional Mens' Camp Meeting which began last Monday and was being held on the John Hutson ranch place north of Umbarger came to a close yesterday and it is expected that by to-night all of the campers will have left the grounds.

There has been a very fair attendance on the meeting—such as would encourage those who had the matter in charge and steps were taken to make the matter an annual affair.

There was no set program for the occasion. Everything was conducted in an informal manner and those who attended enjoyed the whole meeting. They had plenty of good entertainment and good things to eat and every one had their fill of fish.

No date has yet been set for the next year's convention but it will be announced, together with the place of meeting, later.

Dr. J. W. Dickson was in the city yesterday meeting his friends here. He was on his way to Nashville, Tenn., where he is to attend the medical department of the Vanderbilt University.

FAITH IN THE COUNTRY.

Local Man Proves His Confidence in Our Lands as Revenue Producing Propositions.

Our local people have always had great confidence in the present and future of our country and have from time to time shown their faith by their works and by their investments.

L. E. Cowling of this city, this week purchased from S. M. Downing the J. E. Coleman place two miles east of this city, paying therefor fifty dollars per acre. Mr. Cowling now owns nearly one thousand acres in a body there, and when questioned about it said that none of it was for sale as he thought that he had a fine investment. In fact he had been offered a profit for his lands already.

When questioned as to what he expected to do Mr. Cowling said that he had six hundred acres of milo maize and kaffir corn on the place that he bought first and that it would make fine returns this year, but that he had great faith in this country as a wheat producer and that he would put in seven hundred acres of wheat in one body this fall.

Lands Grow Good Corn.

In conversation with a News reporter this week, J. T. Holland, who has recently moved into town to send his children to the Canyon City school, stated that not since the first year he came to this country nine years ago, had he been out of indian corn grown on his own farm, and he has plenty of stock to feed, too. He showed the reporter some fine samples of this year's corn that in size of ear and maturity of grain was as good as any the reporter had ever seen.

Mr. Holland stated that he would make at least forty bushels of corn per acre this year and that he would have done much better but he did not get a good stand on account of pasturing the land so late this spring. He has from seventy-three to seventy-five acres planted in corn this year.

Good Road Improvements.

J. H. Bell has been doing some good work on the road from here to Amarillo the past week. He has been cutting down and otherwise fixing the hill on the north side of the Palo Duro creek, which was needed very badly. Mr. Bell did the work on his own "hook" and certainly deserves the thanks of those who travel that road, at least.